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CANADA PROGRAM

1. Work is going on steadily and sometime late this year there will be ready a very handsome album for Canadian stamps, one that any collector will be proud to own.

First edition will consist of 3000 numbered registered albums. About 1,600 are spoken for. Not possible to quote a price on it at present but if interested please write in now, as second edition will not come out until 1958.

2. At same time as above album, there will appear an illustrated Canada postage catalogue. Beautiful plates based on finest possible photographic reproductions of the actual stamps, will show every major postal variety ever issued by Canada.

3. Matching above in attractive usefulness will be an easy to handle priced check list, one that will show at a glance the progress of any collectors Canadian collection. No quotations as yet on these last two but they will be inexpensive.

Soon as above is completed work will commence on a matching series of albums dealing with such Canadian specialities as revenues, precancels, perf OHMS, other perfins, various cancellations, etc., etc.

(Also will be bringing out a special album for the stamps of Liberia along with priced check lists.)

Still clearing out various foreign oddments accumulated over the past 30 years. Name your specialty and perhaps a selection can be sent out. For example have on hand a marvellous array of early Austria including thousands of the first issue imperfs. Egypt is also well represented but there is a little of everything even U.S.A. (\$100.00 gets a rather nice collection of fancy cancels on the large 2c and 3c late 19th century U.S.A. issues). All are worthwhile lots and collections, running in value from \$10.00 to as high as \$8,000.00.

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104a 1c green (6)	.50	233a 3c red (4)	.35
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106a 2c carmine (6)	.75	249b 1c green (6)	.15
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107c 2c green (6)	33.50	250a 2c brown (4)	.90
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109a 3c carmine (4)	1.50	251a 3c red (4)	.25
1928 Scroll		252a 3c violet (4)	.25
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163a 1c green (4)	10.00	C9a 7c Peace, airmail (4)	.40
163c 1c green (6)	3.00	1950-52 Revised	
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166c 2c brown (6)	1.85	287a 4c red (3)	.60
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1932 Medallion		306a 4c orange (3)	.25
195a 1c green (4)	9.00	306b 4c orange (6)	.45
195b 1c green (6)	1.00	1953 Queen Elizabeth	
196a 2c brown (4)	9.00	325a 1c violet brown (3)	.10
196b 2c brown (6)	1.15	327a 3c carmine (3)	.15
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1935 George V		328a 4c purple (3)	.18
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"FIRE PREVENTION"
POSTAGE STAMP

The Honourable Hugues Lapointe, Postmaster General, has announced the details of a special issue postage stamp that will emphasize the importance of reducing the needless waste caused by preventable fires. The stamp will be issued on the 9th of October, during Fire Prevention Week.

Each year fires in Canada result in the loss of hundreds of lives, as well as millions of dollars in property value and disruption of economic activities. The postage stamp is being issued in support of National Fire Prevention Week to focus special attention on this national problem. Active interest on the part of the public in the elimination of fire hazards will greatly reduce this unnecessary loss of life and property.

The postage stamp will be of 5c



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ANOTHER SEASON

Well, we are back at our stamps again. Clubs will be opening across the Dominion. Coming long evenings will find more time for the hobby. Holidays are behind us with their memories of enjoyment—or disappointment, if our unseasonable summer weather had a bearing.

This issue of P.S. gives promise of shaping up well with articles and advertisements. Some interesting material has also turned up for future issues, and more is promised.

Canadian stamps are doing well at auction and dealers have to extend themselves for worthwhile material; with Canada booming industrially and in prosperity it seems but natural that our stamps should keep pace.

COMMON SENSE PHILATELY

—is the title of yet another book on stamp collecting, this one being written by Barbara R. Mueller and published by D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., Toronto; price \$4.75. It is impossible to mention this publication at length owing to our

Canada-Plateblocks

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limitations of space. It does appear, however, to be stimulating in its covering of the field of modern stamp collecting. Divided into four parts running to 173 pages it covers development of modern philately, the philatelic press, its literature, auctions, stamp societies, exhibitions, etc. Part III contains a chapter on women in philately and part IV covers various aspects of the hobby and is of interest to every collector in its treatment of ways and types of collecting, community and social service suggestions and the many ideas it has for the collector of stamps who seriously enquires into his hobby.

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The Money Order Tax Stamp of Newfoundland

by Ed. Richardson, BNAPS

An interesting reminder of World War I and the consequent need for additional revenue, is the little known, and even less appreciated Money Order Tax stamp of Newfoundland. It was hardly a postage stamp, more accurately classified as a revenue, but definitely a Post Office issue, and for use by the Post Office. It deserves greater attention on the part of collectors.

On October 1, 1914 there went into effect a tax of five cents per \$100 or fraction thereof on all Bills of Exchange. This was the reason for the issuance of this special stamp, since money orders were considered a form of bills of exchange.

The 5c Guy Issue of 1910 of which there were a quantity of remainders available, (the stamp having been replaced by the 5c Princess Mary of the Royal Family or 1911 Coronation Issue,) was selected for overprinting. The 5c Guy is of course known perforated 12, and also $14\frac{1}{4} \times 12$. Apparently only the perf. $14\frac{1}{4} \times 12$ stamps were used for the Money Order overprint. Incidentally, this $14\frac{1}{4}$ perforation apparently confuses some cataloguers as we find various catalogues listing this as either 14×12 or sometimes $14\frac{1}{2} \times 12$. The true measurement however is $14\frac{1}{4} \times 12$.

The 5c Guy stamp was lithographed by Whitehead, Morris & Co., of London, England. Its color is varying described as ultramarine, cobalt blue, and bright blue by Holmes, Boggs and Gibbons respectively.



Newfoundland's Money Order
Tax Stamp of 1914

The overprinting was done by the ROYAL GAZETTE of St. John's,

Newfoundland. The overprint was in upper and lower case letters, reading in three lines as follows:—

Money Order
Stamp Tax
only

There were probably two printings as the overprint comes in two shades, 1) carmine (the darker), and 2) vermilion (the lighter). Jarrett assigns the 2nd printing to 1915.

Y

The "Broken Y" Variety.
Right arm missing.

There are two major varieties. All stamps from the four left vertical rows have a period after "only". The six right vertical rows have no period. There are also numerous minor varieties of broken letters, but none of these are of much importance with the exception of the broken "y" in "Money" variety. This can be found on both the major varieties. Since these stamps were in sheets or panes of 100 (10×10), and according to Bogg's were overprinted with a setting of fifty overprints (10×5), each sheet must contain the following number:—

A—No period, normal "Y"	58
or less.	
Aa—No period, broken "Y"	2
or more.	
B—Period, normal "Y"	38
or less.	
Ba—Period, broken "Y"	2
or more.	
	100

No record of the plate positions of the "Broken Y" variety has been found, but surely there must be in existence some large pieces or part sheets of this stamp which would make it possible to locate the positions.

Jarrett in his 1929 BNA Catalogue also lists a "Vertical overprint" variety, but I have never seen a copy, nor any other reference to the variety.

These stamps were in use a very

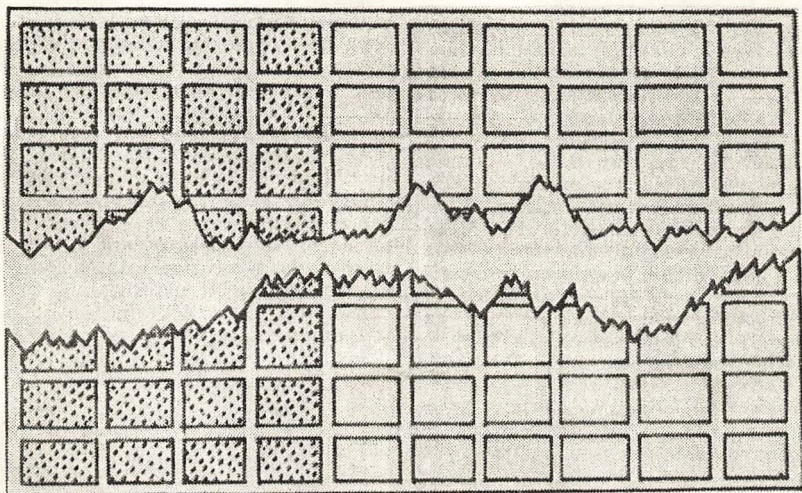
short time,—about eight months. On June 5, 1915 an act was passed rescinding their use. Jarrett and Boggs, based on the number of money orders issued for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, estimate that approximately 50,000 of these stamps were issued.

These stamps were not supposed to be sold in the ordinary manner, and although paid for by the buyer of the money order, were supposed to be attached to the money order by the money order clerk. The stamps were handled only by the Money Order Division. In most instances the stamps were not cancelled. Therefore these stamps were never intended to be available to the general public, and thus to collectors.

Supposedly all copies on hand at the post offices were recalled and

destroyed, and likewise all money orders bearing these were also destroyed. However a few mint copies (Jarrett reports 400) and some larger copies without gum do exist. Jarrett reports that approximately 1000 of the copies without gum came onto the market through a government employee. If these figures are anywhere near correct, the Money Order Tax stamp is a scarce item indeed.

Here's an opportunity to make up an interesting page for your collection of Newfoundland, or B.N.A. revenues at very little cost. Yet to complete the page with copies of all four pages is no easy task. Jarrett's BNA Catalogue, Poole's Newfoundland and Boggs's Newfoundland handbooks all contain useful information on this issue.



Sheet (pane of 100—10x10) layout. Four left rows show period after "only". Six right rows show no period.

BEES OR STAMPS?

When a swarm of bees last July 28 buzzed a section of Decarie Blvd., Montreal, a few feet above the heads of pedestrians an amateur bee catcher hived the bees and said "there is little more danger attached than, say, collecting stamps."

The bees had finally settled on a flower bed and the employe of a nearby auto firm placed a honey

lined box nearby into which the bees took abode.

Moral, if any—collecting stamps or bees may become a honey of a job but don't mess around trying to sort a hive of bees like you would a kilo of stamps.

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Senior: "So you're beginning to wonder too, eh?"

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OBITUARY

H. G. Bertram

H. Graham Bertram of Dundas, Ontario, died suddenly on June 16th at the age of seventy. A member of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, England, the Collectors' Club of New York and the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club, Mr. Bertram had an outstanding collection of the stamps of Canada, particularly strong in the early issues.

He was working on his stamps when he was suddenly stricken with a heart attack. A generous benefactor of Queens and McMaster Universities he also donated a museum to the town of Dundas. This well equipped building was recently opened to the public. He will be greatly missed by his many friends in the philatelic world.

Professor R. De L. French

A loss to philately was occasioned on May 23rd when Professor R. De L. French passed away in Montreal. In the early days of Popular Stamps he contributed a number of articles to this magazine under the pen name of F. D. Rodgers. He probably was best known as an authority on Canadian postal stationery.

Professor French was born in North Brookfield, Mass., in 1885. He attended University at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, from which he was graduated in 1905 with a Bachelor of Science Degree and in 1908 with a degree in Civil Engineering. He worked for three years in Louisville, Ky., before coming to Canada in 1911.

He joined the staff of McGill University almost as soon as he came to Canada, and served on the staff for forty years. He officially retired as Professor of Civil and Highway Engineering in 1950, but continued to serve the University in a part time capacity until 1955. He was made an Emeritus Professor in 1955.

His activities in the stamp world were legion and among the many organizations he belonged to, he was a member of the APS and the BNAPS. He contributed articles to "Collectors' Club Philatelist," "Popular Stamps," "Stamps," and "Weekly Philatelic Gossip," mostly about his

most recent interest — Revenue Stamps. He also was an authority on Canadian Postal Stationery, and gave, in 1943, the Federal Government the most complete collection assembled up to that time. He was secretary of the Canadian Revenue Society at the time of his death.

Senator Jas. A. Calder

At Ottawa, July 21, Senator James Alexander Calder passed away at age 87, after illness of some time. Senator Calder first entered politics in Saskatchewan shortly after that province's entry into Confederation in 1905 and was its first provincial treasurer. In 1917 he came into the Union Government at Ottawa and was re-elected to the Conservative administration following Sir Robert Borden's Union Government. He was appointed to the Senate in 1921. Prior to entering politics he was principal of Moose Jaw high school between 1891 and 1894 and inspector of schools for the Northwest Territories from 1894 to 1900. From 1901 to 1905 he was deputy commissioner of education for the territory, and was called to the bar in 1906.

Canada's grand old man of philately. He was a Fellow of the R.P.S.L. and was honored with election to the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists. He is noteworthy for his study of the colours and shades of the 1859 10c stamp and his book "Some Phases of the Canada '59 issue" is the finest ever written and will be referred to as long as philatelists study the fascinating 5c Beaver stamp.

WE DON'T SEE IT!

Early this year it was brought up in Parliament by an M.P. that a group of curls in the Queen's hair-do on our currency could be construed as representing a devil's mask. Since then we have seen it referred to in some of the philatelic press as also appearing on our postage stamps. We have examined them and fail to see such. Some of our recent stamps have come in for considerable criticism but this last seems uncalled for. Let's not add insult to injury, if criticism is unmerited.

CODE "7" POSTMARKS

By Frank W. Campbell

Collecting of small postmarks that fit onto a single stamp has automatically drifted to the "7" style as portrayed in Dr. Holmes' last book, because they really fit. Besides this is their Centennary, as they started in 1855 insofar as dated copies tell the tale. No official order list of an early date for this group has been found in Archives.

The style is characterized by a one-part-circle, as in the WEIR-PQ.

A few were manuscript dated, but this slow process of dating soon ended, so the great majority are type dated.

Considerable variety of wording is possible, and while most are 20 to 22 mm. in width, the Qu'Appelle Station one is surprisingly a full inch or more.

I have a list of about 800 different before 1875, and to any person who has a large number before 1875 I would loan my list in order to get the possible additions.

A few remarks about some of the places.

Barrie, established in 1835, was the oldest station then in that part of Ontario.

Baddeck was established in 1837. "C.B." is not on many postmarks.

Clarendville—the "T.B." is traveling box, a drop-in box on the railway car.

Chesterfield Inlet still exists.

Clifton with the County Gloucester is still in use, and is unusual in this regard. It was established in 1860, and another Clifton, established in 1864, still exists nearby in Kings County, N.B.

Fox Island Main was established in 1886. I have a list of the start of all Canada post offices to 1895.

Fort-Francis was established in 1876, with "N.W.T." in its first mark, soon changing to "KEE." This is very rare.

Lot 67 has an alternate name of Strathalbyn, established in 1854.

Paris D.P.O. was established in 1862, and was about a mile from Paris. At this station great quantities of U.S.A. mail was transferred and most of the letters were hand-stamped with this, or Paris Station

(C.W. or ONT.). The older Paris was established in 1832.

Qu'Appelle Station was Troy, 1882 to 1884.

Severn Bridge in Muskoka was established in 1861. It had an income of \$336 in 1877, rather large for that period. In 1881 it had three stores, three churches, a telegraph office, population of 50.

Southport, P.E.I., was established in 1859. The type of marking resembles the ones then current in England.

Victoria, Brit. Col.—this was probably the first instrument supplied after confederation.

Yarmouth is the oldest post office I have. It was established in 1806. This is the only instance known to me where "Dominion" is used.

Weir, in Argenteuil County, Que., was established about 1906. My data to 1895 is very complete, after 1895 it jumps by about three year intervals, hence the "about."

Another Weir in Wentworth County, Ont., established in 1877, with J. C. Misener as first postmaster, was a problem to locate. It closed about 1918, and had in income of \$25.56 in 1881. Early locations said it was in Wentworth County, later it was in Brant, then in Brant-Wentworth. This last was a clue. It really was in Ancaster Township, and between 1889 and 1897 this township apparently was tied to Brant for electoral purposes, hence the location variable. All other offices in Ancaster Township were thus listed.

Probably 200 railway markings could be located in this "7" style.

Most of these dated 1955 were just inked over copies supplied by an advertiser in P.S., who passes on to me interesting data quite regularly. He has covers by the dozens of bags-full, believe it or not.

A young lady stalled her car at a traffic light while behind her an impatient citizen honked his horn steadily. Finally, she got out and walked back. "I'm awfully sorry, but I can't start my car," she told the driver of the other car. "If you'll go there and start it for me, I'll stay here and lean on your horn."



The HOLLOW TREE

By Ed. Richardson

Remember we are trying to get together a good listing of these items, with hopes of eventual publication, so would be interested in hearing from any collectors or owners of these Canadian Telegraph covers at any time.

No. 322—"In Prize" Supreme Court Laws

Back in packet No. 306 I reported on having secured four of the five major varieties of these Supreme Court Law stamps with the "In Prize" overprints. Since then Nelson Bond has published in the April issue of Topics a very complete listing of all Supreme Court Laws. Once again Bond is forced to list the 25c Young Queen overprinted in red, as reported but not seen! Come on you Canadian Revenue Collectors, do you have this item in your collections? Let's really run this down once and for all—does it exist?

Since my report of packet No. 306, I have added two additional "In Prize" items, these being the 10c and \$1.00 Widow issues, each overprinted twice, once in red, and again in violet. Both of these secured via Jim Sisson's auctions. These are the only two varieties known to Bond. Even here he listed the 10c as reported but not seen. Here is one we can move over into the seen column, as I have made my copy available to him for inspection.

No. 323—Provincial Telegraph Co.

Have made a number of additions to my collection, and listing of known types of Telegraph Covers of Canada, during the past few months. Among the most interesting was one from the Provincial Telegraph Company with the telegraph form enclosed and date October 15, 1866. The telegram was from London to Wardsville, C.W.

The envelope is of white laid paper, and the printing is in black, consisting of three lines of type across top front of cover.

No. 324—Newfoundland Revenues At Fipex

Many visitors to Fipex may have been as blind and unappreciating as the jury, but anyone who knew the material was nothing short of amazed when they stopped in front of frame No. 738, an exhibition of Newfoundland Revenues by Colin MacRae Makepeace of Providence, R.I. Here were gathered together in one exhibit not one, not two, not six, but all thirteen of Newfoundland's Revenue Rarities! Included were what is believed to be the only known complete mint set of Transportation Tax stamps! But also included were the \$20.00 and \$25.00 Victoria issue of 1898, the \$50.00 and \$100.00 King Edward Issue of 1903, and in the King George V issue, there was shown not only the \$20.00 value, but also the \$25.00 in both the perf. 12 and perf. 11 varieties! In the Caribou Issue he exhibited all three rarities, the \$20.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 values. Just how rare these items are—not more than ten copies are known of any of them, and in seven instances the copies exhibited were either the only ones known, or one of two or three known copies! And that learned group of judges past it up without even a bronze.

No. 325—Wilson Boer War Patriotic Cards, with Patriotic Songs on Back

As long as I have been collecting Wilson Boer War Patriotic Cards and Covers. I do not recall having seen one of their cards with a song on the reverse. Of course the envelopes come both ways, with and with-

out songs, and some designs are known with more than one variety of song on the reverse. However at the BNAPS Lounge at Fipex I picked up an unused copy of the Wilson "Union Jack" design, sometimes called "The Flag that Braved a Years" design, with the song of that name printed in very fine type, in brown, on the left-hand side of the reverse.

I would very much like to hear from any collectors or owners of any Canadian Patriotic Cards of the Wilson series which have any song printed on the reverse.

No. 326—Canada's Election Return Envelopes

Again, thanks to Jim Sisson's auctions I have managed to obtain my first two examples of these interesting postal stationery sideline varieties. Maybe I have been missing 'em but I have no recollection of seeing any of these offered publicly for sale before. Like Bond, I believe most of them to be very scarce.

For those interested I recommend reading Bond's excellent article and listing of these in January Topics. I am always interested in hearing from anyone regarding these.

These election return envelopes are of special interest to collectors of postal stationery as in many instances they bear combinations of stamp designs not to be found in regularly issued envelopes.

No. 327—Saskatoon Electrical Inspection

Beginning in 1911 with a 25c value, adding a 50c value in 1913, and issuing a new set of three values in 1927, comprised of a 25c, 50c and \$1.00 value, the city of Saskatoon has issued five interesting and rare, Electrical Inspection stamps. All of these are adequately listed and described on page 309 of Holmes' Eighth edition, Specialized Catalogue of Canada and BNA. I have successfully obtained copies of all but one of these,—the 25c scarlet of 1927. In spite of cat. values, I believe this to be the rarest of the lot. I know of two copies in collections, who else has it?

UNITED STATES NOTES

By Marion Dick Peyton

The U.S. begins the Philatelic "season" with three new issues this year. For in early September comes the 3c stamp to commemorate Labor Day. The other two will be issued the 22nd and 24th of September.

The Labor Day stamp will be issued September the 3rd at Camden, N.J., and the model of the stamp was developed from the central subject of a mural designed by Lumen M. Winters in the AFL-CIO headquarters building in Washington. This depicts a man, a woman and a child. In the lower left corner is an inscription "Labor is Life—Carlyle." Across the top of the stamp, in a dark frame, is the wording "Labor Day" and across the bottom "U.S. Postage" all lettered in white face Gothic. The color will be blue.

The next issue on the 22nd will be the 3c one to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Nassau Hall. First day of sale will be at Princeton, N.J.

The vignette pictures Nassau Hall from a 1764 engraving by Henry Dawkins. The color will be black and will be printed on orange-coated paper.

The 24th of September emission will be for the 50th anniversary of Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming. First day sale will be at Devils Tower, Wyoming.

This stamp is arranged vertically and pictures Devils Tower. Color will be announced later.

The next issues of the United Nations will be the 3c and 8c stamps for U.N. Day on the 24th of October. These will depict a session of the U.N. General Assembly in the U.N. Headquarters in New York City.

The Wildlife Conservation stamps issued May 5th and June 22nd pictures a Wild Turkey and Pronghorn Antelope. The next wildlife in prospect will picture a King Salmon. The date has not been announced.

The P. O. Department has announced that 10,000 post offices will use the "Pray for Peace" cancellation as soon as dies can be manufactured and furnished the offices. Fifty of the larger offices placed in use August 1st.

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RAMBLING GOSSIP

By Mufti

A bolt from the blue and quite unexpected was the Bermuda Ocean Race issue which came along with little advanced warning. The two stamps for this issue were overprinted in Bermuda and the distribution was direct from there to wholesalers in Great Britain. The Crown Agents in London had no supply. This commemorative was for the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the annual yacht race from the U.S.A. It is reported that a good variety has been found in the 8d value with a low "O" in the word Ocean.

Some news of interest from London is the important information that separate stamps are to be issued for Scotland, Wales and N. Ireland which will consist of low value denominations. It is also reported that the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands will have special stamps.

Exchanges of opinion have been many regarding pictorial stamps for the low values of Great Britain. Up to the time of writing there does not seem any likelihood of this taking place. We were given pictorials on the four high denominations which I feel will satisfy most collectors. Pictorials on the present small format would not look too well and it would seem that a larger stamp would be necessary to give smart appearance to any issue. Our own experience here with our Wild Life series and Prime Minister issues on the small format has been very disappointing.

Reference to some elusive coil stamps of Canada is made in the London "SC" which states our 278 to 281 are not too plentiful overseas. This issue perforated 9½ should be picked up while available as supplies to Great Britain over a short period could well lower stocks here.

Issues of staggered Empire sets continues and it is exasperating to most collectors. Three ½c values lately came from Antigua, Montserrat and St. Kitts, previously two from Jamaica of a ½d and 1d. For one I am fed up. The dealers with this continual trebling sort of distribution and overhead must also loathe the annoyance.

A new stamp vending machine at various city post offices has been in

operation for several weeks and it is a very convenient service supplying booklets with five 4c and five 1c stamps.

So long, see you later. Drive carefully.

MUCH ADO ABOUT STAMPS

John Ray writing in his column, "No Man's Land," in the Vancouver Herald touched on the criticism of wild life stamps by MP's in the House of Commons. While not a philatelist he thinks our stamps have been singularly unattractive and passing from the wild life stamps said:

What did we have on our stamps and still have to a large extent? Pictures of monarchs and often distorted ones at that. Having made this statement, I can just see some readers bristling with indignation over it.

But there is no need for getting hot under the collar and you don't have to start out for collaring me either. I most certainly mean neither disrespect nor disloyalty towards royalty. On the contrary, I feel that royalty is not in need of the kind of "advertising" these stamps represent and if they are meant to be an additional fillip to inspire patriotism, I would say they are in extremely poor taste.

We don't need to contemplate their pictures a hundreds times a day to keep alive the respect and loyalty they command. Not while they are still alive and their deeds speak for themselves. When they are gone, and the stamps are issued in commemoration, that's something else again and more than acceptable in every sense.

And what happens when we finally make an effort at putting out something different and imaginative like a fine mountain goat? We mess it up if our highly critical MP's are to be believed. They must be for it's unlikely that they would try to turn the king of the mountains into a scapegoat just for the sake of political expediency.

P.S.—Bonjour to animal lovers who don't tolerate monkey business.

For pleasure and relaxation spend an evening with stamps.

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53	8c	—	1.25	167	48c	1.00	—	193	2c	.08	—
54	12c	—	1.25	168	60c	2.25	—	194	4c	.10	.08
67	6c	—	2.25	169	72c	2.50	—	195	6c	.20	.12
72	1c	.30	.12	170	96c	2.50	—	196	12c	—	.25
76	8c	—	.30	171	\$2.40	15.00	—	197	24c	.55	.40
77	12c	—	.55	172	2c	.08	.04	198	48c	—	.85
82	1c, 6c	2.00	—	172a	2c	—	.03	199	60c	1.25	—
90	1c, 1c	—	2.00	174	4c	.25	.15	200	72c	1.75	—
93	1c, 96c	.55	—	175	5c	—	.12	201	96c	2.25	—
94	2c, 96c	—	.85	178	1c	.08	.06	205	1c	.18	.20
100	2c, 24c 5.00partgum	—	—	179	2c	.05	.04	206	2c	.18	.08
104	no gum	1.00	—	179a	2c	—	.04	207	4c	—	.40
107	1c	—	.08	180	4c	.20	.10	208	6c	1.25	1.00
108	2c	—	.08	181	5c	.20	.15	209	\$1	5.00	—
109	4c	1.75	—	182	6c	.25	.15	210-11	ea	.05	.04
110	6c	.70	—	183	12c	.30	—	212	3c	.03	.02
111	8c	1.75	.25	184	24c	.45	.40	213	4c	.07	.04
112	1c	.20	—	185	48c	.65	—	214	6c	.12	.12
113	2c opt.	.30	—	186	60c	1.25	—	215	12c	.10	.03
114	3c opt.	.20	—	187	72c	1.75	—	216	24c	.60	—
116	4c opt.	.75	—	188	96c	2.50	—	217	48c	—	1.20
117	6c opt.	.25	—	190	96c	1.75	—	218	50c	—	1.20
118	6c opt.	—	.35								
120	10c opt.	.65	—								
125	\$2 opt.	10.00	—								
126	\$3 opt.	4.80	—								
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131a	1c	—	.05								
133	2c	—	.08								
134	2c	.10	.07								
135	4c	—	.30								
136	5c	—	.07								
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139	8c	.50	.30								
140	8c	—	.60								
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146	72c	2.00	—								
145	60c	—	6.00								
147	96c	2.50	—								
149	1c, \$2	.12	—								
150	1c, \$3	.15	.15								
151	1c, \$4	.35	—								
151b	1c, \$4	1.25	—								
152-6	set	4.00	—								
152	1c	.25	.20								
153	2c	—	.20								
155	10c	—	1.50								
157-9	set	.75	—								
157	2c, 5c	.25	—								
158	2c, 10c	.25	.20								
160	1c	.12	.05								
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CANADA NOTES

I have before me today a pair on cover of Scott No. 250, imperf. horiz. and perf. 12 vertically, but with a horiz. row of perf. across both stamps in the lower quarter. What is it. The margins are quite wide. This stamp did not come in panes of three and I am quite sure it is not cut from a sheet. Would like a diagnosis on this queer bird. It was mailed out from the Winnipeg General Hospital.

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Here is another item somewhat similar to the above but this comes from Nova Scotia. On cover too, backstamped Windsor and -wport, October 15, 1866. On the face are one 2c lilac and note this the lower half of a 2c lilac stamp, perf. 12 across the upper end of this half stamp. This is not a bisect in the true understanding of a bisect but seems to me to be a case of terribly off center perforating. There is a real board walk margin at the bottom. The two stamps are very distinctly different tints of the lilac shade. Did anyone ever see anything like this?

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Well of all the most awful designs for a stamp of Canada, this new-to-be stamp being issued for fire prevention, really runs away with the prize. It is really worse than anything that could be ascribed to a "do-it-yourself" product. WOW!!! The Coronation stamp was I had hoped to be the last amateur effort that would ever be put out by our P.O. Dept. Even the two colors I cannot conceive will help its "beauty(?)". I really believe any school child could draw a better picture of a house on fire. Why was not the Fire Chief at Ottawa consulted on this important matter. Then the measley size of it. Surely if they want to help Fire Prevention, a proper central design in a decent sized stamp would have been a real benefit for idea that they are trying to put across to the careless public.

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The P.O. Dept. is trying to get the public to use more of the 6c stamp. Actually its primary use is for some foreign letters but why it

should not be in blue to conform to Postal Union "regulations" I am at a loss to know. And take our 5c stamps in blue, and according to Postal Union should be in a shade of red. There are a great many letters which run over the one ounce and call for 8c postage, yet for this there is no stamp. Of course for overweight letters within the city, the 6c stamp comes in fine. For three ounces we have no 11c stamp, but for four ounces we have the 14c stamp. Perhaps there should be more stamps of new denominations issued.

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My attention has been drawn to a new instruction coming from the U.S.P.O. to the effect that in addressing letters etc. to the States, the name of the State is to written out in full and please note, the word "STATE" is to be added, as "Michigan State," then add U.S. Perhaps we should do similarly in addressing mail to Nova Scotia, not using the letters N.S. The N so often looks like a U, when written by most people.

L. Seale Holmes, M.D.

12d AT RECORD PRICE

At an H. R. Harmer sale in New York a couple of months ago of Lichenstein material a new high for the Canadian 12d black was reached. Two immaculate mint copies of the stamp sold to a Toronto dealer for \$5,400 and \$5,800 respectively. This places the item in the \$6,000 class for premium condition and no doubt will influence upward trends in lesser state.

The late Alfred Lichenstein had the largest holding of this stamp on the continent, if not in the world. Since these have been coming on the market it is gratifying to learn that many of them are coming back to Canada. Both above stamps have been taken up by Toronto collectors.

It is estimated that of the 1500 12d blacks issued that only 100 or 125 of them are in existence today and that half of them are now owned in Canada. Of these two-thirds of the mint are in fine or better condition but the used item by reason of being used comes in various states of condition. We would settle for a copy of this rare item in most any condition and be happy about it.

RECENT PHILATELIC WRITINGS OF ASSOCIATE EDITOR ED RICHARDSON

Followers of "The Hollow Tree," a regular monthly feature of Popular Stamps for the past several years, might be interested in recent philatelic writings of our Associate Editor, Ed Richardson, which have appeared in other philatelic magazines so far this year.

Covers: March, two articles, 'Across the Border' Patriotics 1898-1902 and Unique Telegraph Covers of Canada.

Airpost Journal: May, A Canadian "Crash Cover."

B.N.A. Topics: January, Canadian Patriotics of World War I; April, Canadian Expeditionary Force in Siberia, 1918-19; May, Canadian "Padposts" (Pictorial Advertising on Postal Stationery); June, The "Soldiers of Canada" Series (Boer War Patriotics); July, Flukes, Favors, Fantasies and Philatelic Oddities (Postal Stationery).

Regular readers of Ed Richardson's column will recognize that many of the items mentioned and elaborated on in these feature articles were first reported in "The Hollow Tree." We are also happy to announce that Ed plans to continue with the H.T. for some time to come and is looking forward to the time when he publishes Hollow Tree Packet No. 500,—some three years hence! By that time maybe he'll adopt No. 1000 as a new goal!

T.S.C.C. NOTES

The June meetings of the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club held in their room at the Royal York Hotel proved interesting and instructive. The speaker for June 7th was W. G. Sparrow who had for his subject the Five Cent Beaver stamp of 1859. This stamp in which he specializes is a favorite with many collectors. In showing the many pages from his album, he pointed out some of the elusive varieties such as "Log in the Waterfall," "Rock in the Waterfall," Major Re-entry, "Sun Spot" and many others. Some interesting covers, very clear strikes of the two-ring numeral cancellations and a

number of unusual multiple pieces were also shown.

In concluding his talk, he stated that as only one plate was used during the life of the stamp, the wear and tear to it was responsible for an astonishing number of re-entries and touches, etc. While in the past a good deal of research had been done by specialists, there was much to be learned. The stamp is still available at a reasonable price and collectors could derive a good deal of pleasure in devoting some time to its study and also build worthwhile collections in doing so.

At the meeting of June 21st the annual competition for the Walter S. Bayley "Sideline Trophy" took place. There were only three entries which was the smallest since the competition was inaugurated and were as follows.

1. A two-volume collection of Official and Semi-Official Airmails.

2. A two-volume collection of Maximum Cards and Colored Cards, with official photographs of Military Leaders and battle scenes of the First World War.

3. A one-volume collection of Newfoundland post cards, many franked by Newfoundland stamps.

Walter Bayley gave the history of the competition which was now in its twelfth year. The trophy, a silver jug, was held by the winner for one year when it again came up for competition. Each winner had as a permanent trophy a miniature of the original. He read out the names of the past holders as engraved on it and stated that three of them had passed on. Dr. James C. Goodwin, James D. Smart and Goodwin Harris. The trophy was on display.

This year's winner was J. N. V. Pekketier, whose two-volume collection of official and semi-official airmails, on and off cover, was outstanding.

Zeke: "I heard tell your wife came from a fine old family!"

Josh: "Came nuthin! Why, she brought it with her."

"I have always had a presentiment," she said, "that I should die young."

"Well, darling," remarked her friend, "you didn't, did you?"

Plate Block Charlie Says:

This article has more to do with what to do when disposing of that collection.

With summer on its way out, autumn just around one corner, and winter just around the next, our thoughts turn to stamps. Not that we plate block collectors can forget them for very long, for if we do, we are very apt to miss a new plate issue. There is no closed season for plate block collectors, we have to be on our toes at all times. Every new plate that comes out means we have four more positions to get hold of, and the most used values have a habit of changing their plate numbers when we least expect it so we have to be on the lookout all the time.

I wonder how many of the people who ask for plate blocks at the post offices are collectors? I think not all of them; there are too many. The condition of some of the plates I have seen these people walk away with would make a collector of good plates shudder and yet they seem to be quite content with what they are buying.

In my article for May, re used plate blocks, I mentioned a collection of "Royal Visit" that was in an auction list. Here are the results of that sale: A collection of 143 position in unused condition, with an estimated value of \$315.00, was sold for \$342.00; a collection of 118 position in used condition, with an estimated value of \$256.00, was sold for \$210.00. You will please note I said estimated values, not catalogue. Mint plate positions in other issues in nearly all cases were well below dealer prices. You can very often fill in blank spaces from an auction list that you would never fill in in any other way. Get those auction lists and bid on some of those tough ones when you see them.

There is quite a difference in prices in different parts of Canada. In the States prices seem to be higher than in Canada. I might add that some positions unobtainable here, can, quite often, be picked up in the States, particularly the "O.H.M.S." and "G" overprints. Prices are rather high but if we

really want them and are unable to get them here then to the States we must go and pay those high prices.

I would like to take up a little space about a matter that collectors, who wish to dispose of their collections or surplus positions seem to overlook, and that is, the position the dealer is in when making an offer for a collection. Let us assume that Mr. B has offered Mr. D \$3,200 for his collection. He has a fair idea where he can dispose of, say, ten or twelve hundred dollars worth, the rest of the collection has to be put in stock, new items not on his list have to be listed. It costs money to put out a price list, it also costs plenty to advertise. Remember, what a dealer—or most of them—offers you, depends a great deal on what you have to offer him. If you have a fair collection in good condition and the dealer has offered you say about 65% of his list prices, I would say you have had a pretty good offer. Try disposing of that collection yourself, little by little. You may get more for a lot of it than the dealer would have given you, but you are going to take a whole lot longer to get rid of that portion of it and then what do you do with the rest of it? I think Mr. Collector you would be further ahead to accept the dealer's offer. Of course, if you have a top notch collection you can turn it over to an auction firm. But remember, auction fees run into plenty of money and while the returns are very often good, they are also very often not so good. No sir, my advise is, get in touch with a reliable dealer.

Did you collectors take my advise and get those Queen 4c Plate 4 or are some of you still trying to get them? I have seen them advertised for as high as \$6.00 a set.

The 5c value has turned up in plenty, so no worry there.

Something I have never mentioned before and may never mention again is "Booklets." I wrote some time ago to a couple of magazine publishers regarding the number issued of the 5c Beaver stitched booklet and was told by one of them that I did not know what I was talking

about. It now seems that that publisher did not know what he was talking about. Instead of 1000 being issued, as stated, there was around 100,000 as I stated. The above article contains my own views only, and are not to be taken as a—you do it this way.

Glad to have been with you. Cheerio and good hunting.

P. B. CHARLIE.

COLLECT WHAT WE WISH

Often as we browse through old stamp periodicals, and some not so old, we are struck by the number of times we have run onto comment on those who look down their noses at those who collect oddities or sideline items in the philatelic field. To them the stamp is the thing; all else is rubbish. They have no patience or tolerance for the chap who goes in for postal slogans, corner card covers, thematic collections, etc. This intolerance generally comes from the chap with unlimited means and one who can afford to indulge in rarities and show pieces beyond the reach of a vast majority of collectors. These latter have to contain themselves by staying in the low priced field of stamps. Soon there comes a time when their collections reach the point where their stamp wants are in a price field beyond their reach. They have the true collection urge;—they are interested in the story of stamps and postal service to the extent that there is more to it than just the stamp.

If one of these collectors takes the notion to supplement his knowledge of a stamp subject by securing data related to it—why shouldn't he? Suppose it is our Bluenose stamp and he reaches out for photographs and magazine articles about the ship; digs up information on the races she won, who was her captain; her life history down to the date she sank in coastal service during the war somewhere down Bermuda way, we believe, who can say he hasn't brought together something of delight for himself and of interest to others? The same or similar treatment can be accorded many other of our Canadian stamps, or stamps of any country for that matter. I hazard that there is far more interest

to the non-collector seeing such a collection than in the orthodox stamp collection with its regimentation of row upon row of stamps and nothing but stamps.

Or if of stamps alone, unaccompanied by any outside data, we bet your non-collector friend will marvel at a thematic collection such as birds of the world, animals, ships, architecture, science, poets, musicians or any of a dozen other subjects. Maybe it could be medicine, religion or art in stamps. Recently we saw a catalog or check list on radio or TV in stamps. There's not a field in human endeavor in which a thematic stamp collection cannot be set up and a most creditable showing brought together at a medium cost.

If its only something related to stamps, there's postal slogans, meter slogan, postmarks — as currently available. Of course if you get into such you'll want to reach back into past years. Well, that can be done. There's been pioneers before you and if your dealer cannot supply you, perhaps you can locate a fellow collector to help you out.

Stamp collecting would bog down for many of us if it wasn't for these fascinating bypaths to wander down. What's perfin collecting, both private and official perfins but a sideline to collecting of definitive stamps. I'll even place plate block collecting as a form of thematic collecting, and all of us know how popular this has become.

No sir, don't ridicule the other fellow's choice of collecting. He's possibly deriving more pleasure and knowledge from it than you are from a more conventional field.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Have read several comments on the poor job on our recent Canadian stamps starting from the regrettable Coronation issue, but strange enough no concrete ideas have been mentioned as to what kind a stamp should be desired. Regarding the animal stamps I would offer my opinion that very few Canadians have seen these animals in their native haunts. Canada is a very large country and you could hardly expect to see these animals on your door step.

My idea of an animal type stamp would be similar to the Falkland Isl. No. 65, and as a second choice, No. 107. We boast of our large paper industry but why does it appear a must in using small type stamps in our special issues when you can buy a daily paper for five cents. My opinion is that it does not add up.

—H. D. Barton.

ARE THESE COMING?

We have seen press comment that the severe criticism of the Wild Life stamps may result in the P.O.D. discontinuing this annual series of stamps. We hope not.

Another rumour has it that Canada may have bi-colored floral stamps. We wonder!

And dated out of Ottawa—July 20—The Toronto Star had an item that Canada is going to get stamps impregnated with phosphorescent material as part of its new process of sorting postal material electronically.

It is said there is no danger to the public involved in licking these stamps, and they will look just the same as normal stamps.

The new stamps will enable machines to present letters the right way up to go through the vast

and expensive new sorting system.

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The first machine is expected in use at Ottawa early next year with Toronto and Montreal following.

"You're getting to be a stuffy old stay-at-home," complained the wife. "What happened to all that zip you used to have?"

"Well, principally," replied the husband, "I'm beginning to feel my corns more than my oats."

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Sir:

3D Nova Scotia "Variety"

I note that in your June number you illustrate a 3D Nova Scotia with a so called variety of two PP's in "PPNCE." As I have not seen the original, I cannot say how this defect occurred; it may have been due to too much or too little ink on the plate, or to the presence of a piece of dirt on the plate or on the paper at the time of printing. In my opinion this does not constitute a true variety, by which I mean a variety which is constant to a blemish or a re-entry on the engraved plate.

As far as I know there does not exist a complete sheet of the actual 3D Nova Scotia stamp, but I have studied one of the complete sheets of the reprints which were pulled from the same plate in 1890. None of the stamps of the sheet of re-

prints shows the two PP's in PENCE which proves that this "variety" is not constant.

I suggest therefore that this discovery is only of minor importance and that it should not be catalogued as a variety which would indicate that the defect is constant.

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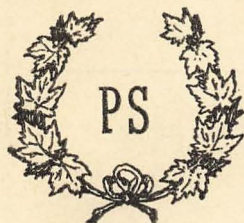
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